

Alien Threats to Southern Indiana Forestlands



Spring Mill Inn
Spring Mill State Park
Mitchell IN
Saturday
March 24, 2007

**8:30 AM – 4:30 PM (EDST)
Lunch Included in Registration**

 **WHITE RIVER RC&D**
1919 Steven Avenue
Bedford IN 47421



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Registration

Due to space constraints, the workshop will be limited to 150 participants. To reserve your space, call the White River RC&D office today at 812-279-8117, extension 5. The registration fee is only \$10 per person or \$20 for an entire family – and includes programs, tour, resource packet and lunch.

Registration Deadline is March 21st.

More Information

For further information, call the White River RC&D office (812-279-8117, ext 5) or visit www.fs.fed.us/r9/hoosier/docs/events/invasive_seminar.htm on the web.

SPRING MILL INN LODGING

Lodging will be available at Spring Mill Inn for the evening of March 23rd. Rates will vary with the type of room required.

Reservations are on an individual basis and can be made by calling (Toll Free) (877) 563-4371



Registration – Please make checks payable to White River RC&D Forestry Committee
\$10 per Person
\$20 per Family

INVASIVE SPECIES WORKSHOP - REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Tele: () _____

Amount Enclosed _____ e-mail _____

Mail Completed Form to: _____ Additional Names for Registration. Please list age of each child registered.

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Why should I come???

- Raise my awareness of the threat of alien invasives
- Help me identify major threats to my land
- Give me ideas and options for control of existing aliens and for learning the prevention strategies for new infestations.

**What Landowners Should Know
About
Alien Invasive Species**

At this workshop, woodland owners will have an opportunity to participate in a workshop on the topic of Alien Invasive Species. These species, including such pests as Emerald Ash Borer, Tree-of-Heaven, Kudzu, Japanese Honeysuckle and Garlic Mustard, are changing Indiana forestlands dramatically – reducing biodiversity, economic value and the beauty of our woodlands.

The workshop will be geared toward helping landowners identify and understand the dangers of alien invasives – as well as options for controlling or preventing their spread.

Spring Mill State Park Location

Spring Mill State Park Inn, near Mitchell, Indiana, will host the seminar. Participants will hear several expert speakers and have the opportunity to take a “boots-on-the-ground” tour of the park. The tour will point out several alien invasives – and show results of the park’s control practices. Participants will also receive a comprehensive resource packet, with lots of additional information about alien invasives and their control.

Family Fun

The seminar will be informative – and fun – for the whole family. A concurrent children’s program will feature games and learning activities developed and led by U.S. Forest Service staff. For kids, this will be so... not boring! Lunch will be provided – including a couple of tasty recipes that use **alien invasive plants as ingredients**. Rumor has it that participants will actually get the opportunity to meet a giant alien...

Agenda

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- 8:30 to 9:30 AM - Registration - Coffee - Welcome
- 9:30 to 10:15 AM - Ellen Jacquart, The Nature Conservancy
Why are we here? What is an invasive alien? Why are they bad?
- 10:15 to 11:00 AM - Ron Rathfon, Purdue Extension
Invasive Forestland Plants: Which are the major threats in southern Indiana? How can they be identified?
- 11:00 to 11:15 AM - Coffee Break
- 11:15 to 12:00 PM - Jon Behrman & Spencer Goehl, Eco Logic LLC
Invasive Forestland Plants: Which can be realistically controlled or prevented? How do you develop a management plan? How do you best control them?
- 12:00 to 1:00 PM - Lunch and time to visit displays
- 1:00 to 1:05 PM - Skit
- 1:05 to 1:45 PM - Melissa Shepson, Purdue Extension
Alien insects and Pathogens in Indiana woodlands: Which are major threats in southern Indiana? How can they be identified? Are there effective control practices?
- 1:45 to 2:30 PM - Ellen Jacquart, The Nature Conservancy
What can I do? What can be done to prevent infestations? How could a CWMA help? What resources (info and cost sharing) are available to landowners? Why should we have hope?
- 2:30 to 4:30 PM - Jill Vance, Jeff Cummings, IDNR
Outdoor “hands-on” program: See and identify invasives in the park; compare successfully controlled areas to those not yet controlled; demonstrate control practices (fire or herbicide application?).

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| USFS - Hoosier National Forest | Indiana Division of Forestry |
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| IN Forestry Education Foundation | US Forest Service State & Private |
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**Special Program
for
Children & Teens**

Bring your kids along, we’ve got a fun, educational, and busy day planned for children and teenagers.

In addition to the main session on invasives, we will be offering educational children’s activities on invasives. The US Forest Service has developed a set of activities on invasive plants and insects appropriate for a variety of ages from kindergarten through high school.

Depending on the ages of the children enrolled, they will be divided into groups to provide age-appropriate activities. The activities are hands-on and will be led by staff from the Hoosier National Forest.

A sample of activities include:

- Outwit-Outplant-Outlast
- Super Alien
- Meadow in a Can
- Sticky Situations
- Homeland Security
- Bioblitz
- Close the Doors!
- SNACKS INCLUDED!

Join us for these entertaining and educational sessions for children and teens from 5-18.

